SENATE BILL GF16-31

AS INTRODUCED

A Congressional Act amending the Code Annotated, providing for a short title, providing for codification, and providing an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA STUDENT ASSOCIATION:

Section 1: Title: Amendment to the Graduate Senate Bylaws

Section 2: Purpose: To eliminate the requirement that the committee chairs meet with the three elected members of the executive committee to discuss legislation prior to the legislation being presented to the senate floor due to the lack of quorum at past executive committee meetings.

Section 3: AMENDATORY: For the purpose of this Act, deletions shall be indicated with a strikethrough and additions indicated with a bold underline.

Section 4: Section 8 of the Graduate Student Senate Bylaws shall read:

SECTION 8. Executive Committee

A. The EC shall be composed of the three (3) elected officers and the chairs of the eight (8) standing committees, when called upon to meet, or the three (3) elected officers until the committee chairs have been selected.

B. The EC is an administrative body and is not empowered to dismiss Legislation. Except for dismissal of officer motions by individual Senators, Legislation proposed for consideration by the Senate shall be brought first to the EC, which shall do only one of the following: 1. Recommend consideration of Legislation by the Senate; or 2. Refer Legislation to the appropriate committee.

C. The functions of the EC are to: 1. Meet at least twice a month during the academic year at a regularly scheduled and published time; 2. Meet during periods when no G.A.M.s are scheduled, at which time the committee chairs shall act as fully empowered committees except for matters of budget allocations, grant allocations, Constitutional amendments, By-Law amendments, and the like; 3. Consider every piece of legislation brought before it, and dispose of it in a timely and authorized manner; 4. Set the agenda for the consideration of Legislation on the Senate floor; 5. Ratify the Chair’s nominations for the membership of committees; and 6. Suggest representatives to the SGA President
to serve on University Councils and Committees. This action does not replace the advice and consent role of the Senate once the SGA President nominates representatives to such Councils and Committees.

Section 4: This act shall become effective when passed in accordance with the Graduate Student Senate Bylaws.

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